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SUBJECT: TRYBUNA LUDU COMMENTATOR HAILS FRG-
CZECHOSLOVAK AGREEMENT

1. UNDER THE HEADING "JUSTICE PREVAILS", TRYBUNA LUDU FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMENTATOR RYSZARD WOJAN ON DEC 12 GREETED THE SIGNING OF THE BONN-PRAGUE AGREEMENT AS A VICTORY FOR JUSTICE, COMMON SENSE, AND REALISM. TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER PACTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE FRG AND THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES, IT REPRESENTS, WOJNA WRITES, A "COMMON VICTORY" FOR THEM AND THE FRG OVER THE PAST AND THUS "CLOSES THE HISTORICAL PROCESS OF POLITICAL CONSOLIDATION OF THE RESULTS OF WORLD WAR II". THE STILL PENDING QUESTIONS OF FRG RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY AND BULGARIA LACK SUCH HISTORIC DIMENSIONS, WOJNA CONTENTS.

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2. IN A SLAP AT THE FRG, WOJAN NOTES THAT THE GDR

HAD RECOGNIZED FROM THE BEGINNING THE INVALIDITY OF THE MUNICH PACT BUT THAT THE FRG CHANGED ITS POSITION ONLY WITH THE ADVENT OF THE SPD-FDP COALITION. WOJNA FURTHER CREDITS THE SOLIDARITY AND CONCERTED ACTION OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES FOR THE OBTAINING OF THE GOAL OF FRG RECOGNITION OF THE RELEVANT POSTWAR BOUNDARIES, WHICH HE UNDERSCORES AS A REQUIREMENT FOR LASTING PEACE IN EUROPE. FINALLY, HE EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT ONE OF THE FIRST RESULTS OF THE FRG-CZECHOSLOVAK AGREEMENT WILL BE A "BROADENING AND DEEPENING" OF THE LEVEL OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE FRG AND THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES.

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